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6. [redacted] Discussed with Ed Braswell and Jim Woolsey, of the Senate Armed Services Committee staff, our concern about provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act which would transfer jurisdiction over military assistance from the Armed Services Committee to the Foreign Relations Committee, cut off funds for [redacted] and reduce the ceiling on expenditures in Cambodia. I said we assume the Committee would have to look out for itself on the jurisdictional issue and we were not going to take the initiative on the Cambodian issue because we didn't have as much at stake there as other agencies. However, I said we were very much concerned [redacted] citing General Vang Pao's recent statements [redacted]

Braswell and Woolsey said Stennis had his hands full with other issues such as the Mansfield amendment and in any event would find it difficult to fight [redacted] unless we "took off the wraps" and allowed him to speak frankly about their actual role. I said we'd see if we could come up with an unclassified statement which could serve the purpose. Braswell said what was needed was an "impact statement" which would emphasize the serious consequences of cutting off support for [redacted]

7. [redacted] Called Tom Korologos, in the White House, regarding the problems with the Foreign Assistance Act mentioned above. He said he had gotten Senator Gordon Allott to lead the fight regarding the Cambodian ceiling and was trying to get Stennis to assume responsibility for provisions regarding [redacted] I explained Stennis' problem as I understood it and asked Korologos whether we shouldn't try to get someone else to take up the fight such as Milton Young, Howard Baker, or Jake Javits.. Korologos said we shouldn't do anything until we hear from them because they were starting a big meeting on the whole thing in the White House.

8. [redacted] Bill Miller, of Senator John Sherman Cooper's (R., Ky.) office, called to say the Senator was interested in any comments on the New York Times story quoting Laird on Soviet MIRV tests. I said we didn't know what the Secretary had said, but on the basis of intelligence estimates available it appeared that the press story was garbled and that the Defense Department would be the people to straighten it out.

9. [redacted] Called Dorothy Fosdick, in Senator Jackson's office, to say that we had no evidence supporting some of the points made in a New York Times story attributed to testimony by Secretary Laird. I speculated the story was the result of a garble and suggested the people to straighten it out was the Defense Department since they knew what the Secretary had said and we didn't.

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Friday - 9 June 1972

1. [] Talked to Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that he would be unable to make the appointment for Tuesday to visit Headquarters for a briefing on a sensitive readout system. At the Chairman's direction he and Paul Wilson will be meeting with representatives of OMB to draft a "continuing resolution." Messrs. Proctor, DDI, Steininger, ADD/S&T, Briggs, OPB, [] IC, have been advised. 25X1
2. [] Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, called first thing this morning from Senator Jackson's office to ask about the New York Times story quoting Secretary Laird as saying the Soviets are testing an MIRV. I said I would check and let her know what we had. 25X1
3. [] Had a number of discussions with Ed Braswell and Jim Woolsey, of the Senate Armed Services Committee staff, who had heard Secretary Laird's testimony and confirmed the general accuracy of the New York Times version of what Laird said. I explained to them that our evidence did not support the press version of Laird's remarks. 25X1
4. [] Bill Holt, of Representative Sam Stratton's office, called in behalf of a constituent, [] who is an applicant for an Agency position. We have alerted Personnel that [] will be calling for an appointment. 25X1
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5. [] In the absence of Rady Johnson, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), I talked to Don Floyd, of ISA in Defense, who is concerned [] He said Johnson and Tom Korologos, of the White House, were handling the problem with Stennis. 25X1
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1. [] Provided Frank Slatinshek and Ed Braswell, House and Senate Armed Services Committee staffs, a copy of background data prepared by FE Division on Major General Vang Pao for the use of the Committee Chairmen in their meeting with the General this afternoon.

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2. [] Called Bill Woodruff, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, this morning and brought him up-to-date on developments concerning inquiries from Senator Proxmire and his staff of the Foreign Operations Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee []
[] (See Memo for the Record)

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3. [] Received a call from Bill Jordan, on the staff of the Senate Appropriations Foreign Operations Subcommittee, regarding the inquiries which he has made to AID on the Senator's behalf []
[] Following my conversation with Jordan, I called Tom Scott, of the Appropriations Committee staff, and brought him up-to-date on these developments. (See Memo for the Record)

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4. [] Called Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, regarding plans for General Vang Pao's meeting with the Intelligence Subcommittee this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Slatinshek said the General might be prepared for questions based on a Washington Star story of yesterday reporting the problems confronted by Vang Pao's forces in present circumstances.

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5. [] Called Alma Moore, in Chairman Hebert's office, and provided her background information for the Chairman regarding General Vang Pao who will be visiting the Committee this afternoon.

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12. [redacted] In response to Senator Jackson's request, met with Richard Perle and Dorothy Fosdick, of his Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations staff, and briefed them on Soviet strategic weapons situation along the lines of the Director's recent statement to the Mahon Subcommittee.

Mr. Perle asked if we could try to provide answers to a number of questions which I have referred to OSR. See Memorandum for the Record.

13. [redacted] Messrs. [redacted] and I accompanied Generals Vang Pao and Walters in meetings with members of the Senate Armed Services Committee and later the Intelligence Subcommittee of House Armed Services Committee. See Mr. Nelson's Memorandum for the Record.

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Wednesday - 7 June 1972

1. [] Called Mr. George Mannina, Administrative Aide to Representative Gilbert Gude (R., Md.), in response to a call he had placed to [] in the Office of Personnel. Mannina has asked if Agency representatives could meet with Mr. Bass, of the D.C. tax assessors office, and a Mr. Moore, attorney for former Agency employee [] to advise them concerning [] (This has to do with [] PCS assignment outside the United States absolved him of tax liability in the District during his tour.) I told Mannina that we had no intention of becoming involved in the legal issues [] liability, but agreed that [] OGC, who has been involved in this case, and I would meet with the persons involved in Representative Gude's office on 16 June at 10 a.m. to be sure there was no confusion on anyone's part about his PCS status.

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2. [] Talked to Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee, who confirmed that Chairman Stennis and members of the Armed Services Committee would be glad to see General Vang Pao in Stennis' office (205 OSOB) at 4:00 p.m. tomorrow, 8 June. At my suggestion Braswell said Stennis would gladly invite Senators Ellender and Young.

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3. [] Talked to Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, regarding a meeting between General Vang Pao and Chairman Nedzi.

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At Slatinshek's suggestion I called Mr. Nedzi and we agreed that Mr. Nedzi and his Subcommittee would meet with General Vang Pao at 5:00 p.m. tomorrow, 8 June.

4. [] Accompanied Bruce Clarke, D/OSR, in attending a verification panel at the White House Situation Room. Mr. Clarke has kept a brief record.

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Monday - 5 June 1972

1. [] John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called to say that he understood the Director was going to call Chairman Stennis regarding a date for General Vang Pao to meet with Stennis and members of the Committee. I said this was contrary to my understanding and I would check with Ed Braswell, of the Committee staff, with whom I had discussed the matter.

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Talked with Ed Braswell regarding Vang Pao's visit with the Committee. Braswell said he would try to set it up for sometime Thursday afternoon, 8 June 1972, probably after 4:00 p.m.

2. [] In the absence of Representative Charles Rangel, I talked to Patricia Bradley, his secretary, to say I was trying to make a date for [] and me to come over and brief Mr. Rangel in response to his queries about certain reports concerning illicit narcotics traffic abroad. Miss Bradley said the Congressman was out of town and not expected back until Thursday but she would be in touch with him and try to set a date for an early meeting.

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4. [] Called Tom Moyer, in the General Counsel's office, Civil Service Commission, to learn what progress he had made with the Senate and House Post Office and Civil Service Committees for exempting the Agency and others from the Federal Executive Service legislation, H. R. 3807 (see Journal of 17 May 1972). Moyer said they were currently meeting with the staffs of the Committees to work out suitable language and would let us know as soon as something definitive has been worked out. He does not think any prospects for the legislation are bright, however.

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